GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4217
ANSWERED ON:11.08.2016
Divorce Cases
Shah Smt. Mala Rajya Laxmi

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of increasing number of divorce cases in various courts in the country;
(b) if so, the number of such cases pending in these courts as on date in the country, State/UT-wise;
(c) whether the Government is aware that such cases remain pending in courts for a very long period;
(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to formulate any mechanism/scheme for expeditious disposal of such cases; and
(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regards?

Answer

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND JUSTICE AND
ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (e): No data relating to divorce cases is maintained separately. However, a statement giving details of cases pending in Family Courts, State/UT-wise which, inter-alia, includes divorce cases is given in the Annexure. In the Chief Justices Conference, 2015, directions have been issued to all High Courts to regularly monitor and take necessary steps for early disposal of such cases.

Annexure
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 4217 FOR 11.8.2016
Number of cases pending in Family Courts are as follows:-
S.No. State Cases Pending

1 Andhra Pradesh 7177 as on 31.12.15
2 Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Mizoram 5858 as on 29.2.16
3 Bihar 50847 as on 31.12.15
4 Chhattisgarh 10464 as on 31.3.16
5 Delhi 29079 as on 31.3.16
6 Goa -
7 Gujarat 29445 as on 29.2.16
8 Haryana 15256 as on 31.03.16
9 Himachal Pradesh -
10 Jammu & Kashmir 1490 as on 31.3.16
11 Jharkhand 14261
12 Karnataka 24612 as on 1.3.16
13 Kerala 52446 as on 31.12.15
14 Madhya Pradesh 34165 as on 1.10.15
15 Maharashtra 32854 as on 30.4.16
16 Manipur 434
17 Meghalaya -
18 Odisha 22035 as on 31.3.16
19 Punjab 4533 as on 31.3.16
20 Puducherry 862 as on 31.12.15
21 Rajasthan 21974 as on 31.12.15
22 Sikkim 130 as on 31.3.16
23 Tamil Nadu 20592 as on 31.12.15
24 Telangana 9308 as on 31.12.15
25 Tripura 1799 as on 31.3.16
26 Uttar Pradesh 263682 as 31.3.16
27 Uttarakhand 8048 as on 31.3.16
28 West Bengal 1091 as on 31.12.15